

HORSEHEADS HIGH SCHOOL

“NOTES”



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REPORT CARDS

Marking Period 2 Report Cards will be distributed in Period 9/10 classes on November 21st. Students in New Vision, PM BOCES, and early dismissal may pick up their report cards from Mrs. Kastenhuber in the Registrar's Office.

NEWS FROM STUDENT COUNCIL

FOOD DRIVE

Our annual Food Drive will take place November 14th – 18th. Students are encouraged to drop off needed items to their class advisor anytime that week and donations will be delivered to our local Food Pantry.

SAVE THE DATE

"Sno-Coming", our winter semi-formal dance, will be held on Saturday, February 11th, from 6:30pm - 9:30pm at the Middle School Gym.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The following students were chosen as the High School's September Raiders of the Month for the character trait Respect: **Jack Benton, Cayden Chalk, Olivia Czech, Aleksander Davis, Madden Foster, Elijah Friend, Lindsey Hess, Catherine Miley, Gabrielle Owusu, Jaebreonna Smith, Sydney Smith, Kaylee Welty, and Grace Wilson.**

The following students have been selected for October's High School Raiders of the Month for the character trait Responsibility: **Mackenzie Baker, Kaden Farrell, Abby Sumner, Aylene Torrey; Ethan Dziennik, Sibby Lowe, Nichole Kailbourne, Emily Overly; Willow Lenhardt, Shawn Robinson, Sam Shutter; Mia Foster, Jared Halbrook, Ryan Janeski, Makayla Rosettie.**

SISTER CITIES NEWS

The **Horseheads Sister Cities Association (HSCA)** is pleased to announce that we are searching for adult volunteers to be part of a team to renew the exchange visits between Horseheads and sister city Nakagawa, Japan. We would like to plan an exchange that will start in March 2023 when a delegation of students and adults from Nakagawa spend a week in Horseheads exploring and experiencing family life, schools, and area attractions. Usually, the trip to Horseheads is the first time the Japanese students have been abroad so it is a very influential experience for them.

We hope for a reciprocal exchange trip to Nakagawa in early July 2023 wherein Horseheads students and adults travel to Nakagawa exploring small community Japanese culture in a similar way.

We are unable to renew this exchange without leaders. Parents and/or educators interested in being part of a team to bring this experience back to our students please contact Kelly Murray – kmurray@horseheadsdistrict.com.

An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 9th at 7:00 pm in the MS Library for students in grades 8-11 who reside in the Horseheads school district tax area. Please attend this meeting if you are interested in exploring Japanese culture through this experiential young ambassador opportunity. If you are an adult interested in being part of a team to support our exchange, we invite you to join us too.

UNIFIED RAIDERS NEWS

UNIFIED SOCCER CULMINATING EVENT

Horseheads Unified Raiders hosted the first ever Unified Soccer Culminating event in New York on October 18, 2022. Horseheads Athletic Director Charles DeTaeye coordinated the culminating event with Special Olympics and Unified Sports NY staff Nicole Fess and Nathan Johnson and Athletic Directors Rebecca Gentile, Zack Llyod, Samantha Little, and Joe Alger.

Corning Painted Post Unified Hawks, Elmira Unified Express, Horseheads Unified Raiders, Ithaca Unified Lil' Red, and Newfield Unified Purple Tornado participated in various soccer skill challenges and 9 v 9 games. Horseheads varsity boys soccer team judged and ran the skill challenges for all of the schools. Horseheads varsity girls soccer team assisted with running the 9 v 9 games and ensuring that they ran smoothly.

Fans from all teams attended to fill the stands of Horseheads stadium. Teacher Ashley Crozier and student **Cael Owen** assisted Horseheads Superintendent Dr. Thomas Douglas with making hot cocoa for the unified teams. Horseheads Unified Raiders are coached by Alisha Tenbus and assistant coach Cassie Mustico. The Inaugural Horseheads Unified Raider Soccer team consisted of: **Subha Alsworth, Makennah Evans, Ryleigh Potter, Owen Wood, Ella Bailey, Jackson Klug, Brady Lowman, Liam Levantovich, Cullin Cole, Jacob Fifield, Connor Miley, and Camron Benedict**. Intermediate School assistants **Cruze Owen** and **Shalaney McDonough** practiced with the team and assisted with the skills competition and games. Chad Sustello, Chuck Klee, Jimmer Krystoff, and Justin Barber officiated the culminating event following Unified soccer rules. The Unified Soccer team practiced twice a week throughout September and October in preparation for the culminating event.

HORSEHEADS UNIFIED RAIDERS ATTEND THE YAC SUMMIT ON NOVEMBER 4, 2022

Horseheads Unified Raiders and YAC members attended the Youth Activation Committee Summit at Owego Free Academy on November 4, 2022. We celebrated Corning Painted Post obtaining their National Banner Recognition. YAC members interacted with students throughout Section IV to learn how to spread inclusion throughout Horseheads District and how other schools' YAC programs function.

YAC members learned how to become more effective leaders throughout the School District and Unified National Banner Recognition requirements were reviewed for future applications. Whole school engagement was discussed, including the Special Olympics Polar Plunge. Be on the lookout for fundraising forms to support your Unified Raider in taking the Polar Plunge in March in Ithaca. Funds raised through the Plunge help provide funding for training and competitions for Unified programs throughout New York.

Horseheads students **Cael Owen, Mario Ruggerio, Natalie Williams, Coleton Owen, Cullin Cole, and Max Tenbus** presented about Whole School Engagement through the Choose to Include postcards. Ithaca YAC presented about YACtivities - be on the lookout for how you can participate in various YACtivities monthly. Special Olympics provided Sports reporter kits to Spread the Word about inclusion, Unified Sports, and YAC - be on the lookout for Unified Raiders videos and social media posts. Unified Raiders evaluated their leadership qualities and their peers' leadership qualities. Students learned how to improve upon their skills and how to work collaboratively with others to maximize upon everyone's strengths.

HORSEHEADS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS RELATING TO STUDENT DATA

The District, in compliance with Education Law 2-d, hereby establishes the following Parents' Bill of Rights in regard to student data:

1. A student's personally identifiable information will not be sold or released for any commercial purpose;
2. Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's educational record. Procedures for reviewing student records can be found in the Board Policy entitled "Student Records," Policy 5500, Regulation 5500-R;

3. Security protocols regarding confidentiality of personally identifiable information are currently in place and the safeguards necessary to protect the confidentiality of student data are maintained at industry standards and best practices. The safeguards include but are not limited to encryption, firewalls, and password protection.
4. New York State maintains a complete list of all student data collected by the State and the data is available for public review at www.nysed.gov, or by writing to 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234.
5. Parents have the right to have complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints should be directed to the Superintendent of Schools, Hibbard Road, Horseheads, NY 14845.

Steps to Prevent Flu

health.ny.gov/flu



Fight Flu at Home and School

Flu, or influenza, spreads easily and can make people very sick, especially kids. You can help stop flu!

Flu symptoms include:

Fever or chills, body aches, cough, sore throat, headache, runny or stuffy nose, feeling very tired. Some people, especially children, may have stomach problems and diarrhea. Unlike a cold, the flu comes on very suddenly.

Prevent flu!

- Flu vaccine is the best protection against the flu. It is recommended every year for everyone 6 months and older.
- Get the flu vaccine for you and your children every year! It helps make flu sickness milder or prevents it all together.
- Getting the vaccine early in the fall means you and your children will be protected when flu season starts.
- Ask people close to your children, like babysitters and relatives, to get the vaccine, too.
- The vaccine is especially important for people with certain health conditions, like asthma, diabetes, heart or lung conditions because the flu can make them even sicker.

If your child gets the flu:

- Your child will need plenty of rest and lots of fluids.
- Keep your child home from school for at least 24 hours after their fever is gone without using fever-control medicine. This helps avoid giving the flu to others.
- Talk with your child's health care provider before giving a child any over-the-counter medicine.
- Never give your child or teenager aspirin or any medicine that has aspirin in it. Aspirin can cause serious problems.
- If your child gets flu symptoms and is younger than 5 or has a medical condition like asthma, diabetes, or heart or lung disease, call their health care provider. Young children and those with certain medical conditions are at greater risk for getting seriously ill from the flu. Ask their health care provider if they recommend an antiviral drug.
- If you are worried about your child, call their health care provider.

Don't spread flu!

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water aren't handy, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue or your elbow, not your hands. Put used tissues in the trash.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth. That's how germs spread.
- Stay away from people who are sick.



HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

NOVEMBER 14TH - 18TH

ITEMS IN NEED:

- Jiffy corn muffin mix
- Cereals
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Stuffing

Canned:

- Kidney beans
- Pork and beans
- Creamed Soup
- Meat (SPAM, ham, etc.)
- Veggies (beets, corn, potatoes, etc.)

**Drop off donations to
your class advisor!
The class with the
highest item count wins:**

Freshmen (Rm 211): \$260 Juniors (Rm234): \$240
Sophomores (Rm 226): \$250 Seniors (Mrs. Lowe's
office): \$230

THE BIG FIVE



In 2008 CSS Workforce NY and the Chemung County Chamber of Commerce's Business Education Roundtable successfully launched The Big Five campaign. Thousands of posters and bookmarks were distributed across Chemung, Schuyler, and Steuben Counties championing five foundational concepts of workforce readiness:

- Be honest
- Show up on time every day
- Be ready for work
- Be willing to learn
- Maintain a good attitude

Though many things have changed since 2008, these basic values are still relevant today. CSS Workforce NY, GST BOCES, and the Chamber's Business Education Roundtable have teamed up to bring

Education and Business together to revitalize this initiative and introduce it to a new generation of students and employees.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter: Learn about up-to-date information about our district on Facebook and Twitter: On Facebook, the district and each of our seven schools have pages. Please "like" them to get the information on your news feed. Follow us on Twitter at @HhdsSchools to read our tweets.

NOTICE: The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for Horseheads High School is Mike McCawley. Complaints regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any student should be referred to Mr. McCawley 739-5601, ext. 1603. The Dignity Act Coordinator for the Horseheads Central School District is Caitlin DeFilippo. Mrs. DeFilippo may be reached at Hibbard Road, Horseheads, NY 14845, 607-739-5601, x4211.

The Horseheads Central School District offers educational programs without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, religion, marital status, military status, sex, sexual orientation, age, gender identity, predisposing genetic characteristic, or disability, and provides equal access to applicable groups under the Boy Scouts of America Equal Access Act. Inquiries regarding this policy may be made to Caitlin DeFilippo, Title IX/DASA Coordinator, and Co-Civil Rights Compliance Officer; Anthony Gill, Co-Civil Rights Compliance Officer; or Kelly Squires, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, Hibbard Road, Horseheads, NY 14845, (607)739-5601. This policy of non-discrimination includes access by students to educational programs, counseling services, course offerings, and activities, as well as recruitment and appointment of employees and employment pay, benefits, advancement and/or termination. The following person(s) has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Caitlin DeFilippo, Director of Human Resources, cdefilippo@horseheadsdistrict.com, Hibbard Road, Horseheads Central School District, Horseheads, NY 14845, (607) 739-5601 and US Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, LBJ Department of Education Building, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington DC 20202-1100, (800) 421-3481.



**Office of
Children and
Family Services**

**To report child
abuse or neglect:**

Call toll free

1-800-342-3720

or

ocfs.ny.gov/main/cps